

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF MULESHOE, TEXAS
Monday, December 14, 2015, 5:30 p.m. City Hall**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Black; Council members Ellis, McElroy and Parker

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Larry Thornton, Muleshoe Journal; City Attorney Slater Elza, Underwood Law Firm; City Manager David Brunson; Deputy City Secretary Zanea Carpenter and City Secretary LeAnn Gallman

Mayor Black opened the meeting at 5:31 p.m.

AGENDA

1. A. Motion was made by Mayor Black and second by Council member McElroy to approve the minutes of the November 9, 2015 Council meeting. Motion carried.
B. Motion was made by Mayor Black and second by Mayor Pro Tem Ellis to approve the minutes of the November 16, 2015 Council meeting. Motion carried.
C. Motion was made by Council member Parker and second by Mayor Pro Tem Ellis to approve the minutes of the December 3, 2015 Council meeting. Motion carried.
2. The next item on the agenda was to consider awarding the bid for the Well Field land lease. Mayor Black filed a conflict of interest and abstained from discussion and vote on this item stating a conflict existed because his son was bidding on the lease. After discussion, motion was made by Council member McElroy and second by Council member Parker that the bid be awarded to Cody Black for an amount of \$18,000 per year. Motion carried.
3. Motion was made by Council member Parker and second by Council member McElroy to approve the appointment of Zanea Carpenter as City Secretary beginning January 4, 2016. Motion carried.
4. Administrative reports included:
 - a. The City will host a Blood Drive on Wednesday, December 23rd.
 - b. The City held the annual employee Christmas luncheon. City employees donated \$3,006.00 to the Bailey County Ministerial Alliance Food Pantry. The donation was accepted by Jay Messenger.
 - c. The refinancing of the 2008 series bonds was completed on December 10m 2015. Interest on the bonds was reduced from 4% to 2% and annual payments were reduced approximately \$20,000 for a total savings of approximately \$230,000 in total bond payments.
 - d. City Manager David Brunson thanked the Council for the opportunity to serve the City of Muleshoe for the last 14 plus years.
5. Mayor and Council remarks included:
 - a. Thanks to David Brunson for his service to the City of Muleshoe.

Mayor Black adjourned the meeting at 6:42 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE _____ DAY OF _____, 2016.

Cliff Black, Mayor

ATTEST:

LeAnn Gallman, City Secretary